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WARM SPRINGS

FORTY YEARS OLD — NILES, ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1928 — NO

## COMMERCE BODY MEETS NEXT ON JANUARY EIGHTH

The Niles Chamber of Commerce held their last meeting of the year on Tuesday, December 18. Several visitors were present so the president suggested that each one stand up and introduce himself. It was one of the largest meetings of the past few months and "bigger and better Chamber of Commerce luncheons in 1928" is the resolve for the New Year, the first meeting being January 8.

### He Who Would Eat Unlawfully Eats In County Jail

William Dugan, of the world at large, is spending his Christmas holidays in the county jail, after having been apprehended with a crate of lettuce he was carrying off from a local grocery store last week. He had plans of donating the greens toward the feast being prepared by a gang of hoboes over by the gravel pit when he accidentally bumped up against the officers of the law. Judge J. A. Silva gave him 30 days.

### SPECIAL SERVICES AT CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

Special services will be held at the Midnight Mass of the Corpus Christi church on Christmas Eve. St. Cecilia's choir will sing "Messa Rosa Mystica" by Carnevali, with the Credo from Leonard's "Mass in B Flat." During offertory Mrs. Helen Silveira and Miss Lena Shinnick will sing as a duet "Contique Noel" by Adolphe Adon. The mass "Rosa Mystica" by Carnevali was sung by the Women's Choir at the Eucharistic congress at Chicago in 1926.

The members of the choir are as The Fire Department answered the Emily Silva, Mrs. Mary Duarte, Mrs. Agnes Borges, Miss Lena Schinnick, Miss Evelyn and Laura Garcia, Mrs. Marguerite Crane, the organist and director.

David Barker is home for his Christmas vacation and will not return to Berkeley until January 7.

### Who Eats My Duck Deserves to Die

WHOEVER.. eats "Bert" for Christmas deserves a most severe disorder in the digestive portion of his anatomy. Bert was not just an ordinary duck fit to be killed and stuffed for somebody's festive board. Bert was a duck with a personality, a part of the family, so to speak, and more than that, the whole neighborhood is in mourning for the disappearance of this faithful friend. Life just isn't worth living for the J. E. Townsend kiddies and their neighbors without that familiar "quack-quack".

Of course, whoever made off with Bert, probably didn't realize just what kind of a bird he was and if the person who carried Bert off will bring him back, no questions will be asked.

But maybe Duck-luck has followed Hen-len to the king to tell about the sky falling on Chicken-Licken's poor bald head!

P. S. Our mistake! Bert should be Bertha!

## FIRE DESTROYS DECOTO HOUSE SUNDAY, 11 A.M.

Fire, caused probably by an overheated stove, destroyed a small residence owned by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Martinez, of Decoto, about 11 oclock Sunday morning. The Fire Department answered the alarm, but, according to Chief Roland Bendel, the conflagration had gained such headway by the time the firemen arrived nothing effective could be done.

### Men's Club Stages Xmas Jinks, Dec. 20

Christmas Jinks for the Men's Club of Washington Township will be held on the evening of December 20, at 6:30 p. m. at the Country Club house in Centerville.

Speaking and music will make up the program. Members are expecting a hilarious evening.

### Homeless Children Benifit Nets $150

About $150 was cleared at the turkey whist given at Parish Hall, Centerville, last Friday evening, for the benefit of homeless children by the Native Sons and Daughters. Fifty tables were filled.

### Duck Case Decided In Court Tuesday

When Peter J. Finnochio, charged with having more than the legal number of ducks in his possession, along with Chas. Priester and Thomas Cunha, of Irvington, plead guilty and paid his fine of $50, the case against Priester and Cunha was dropped, hearing having occurred in Judge Allen C. Norris' court Tuesday.

### Hobo Gets 90 Days In County Jail

Frank Bartell, address unknown, received a 90-day sentence from Judge J. A. Silva on a charge of vagrancy, having been picked up by local officers last week very much the worse for imbibing too much canned heat, so he'll hang up his Christmas stocking in the county jail.

### CAMPFIRE GIRLS AND BOY SCOUTS DESERVE THANKS

Special thanks are expressed to the Boy Scouts of the Washington Union High school and to the Campfire Girls of Niles for their help at the Christmas party given for the needy children of the township at the Country Club this past week. The tree and all its trimmings was sent over from the high school and the more than 100 children present enjoyed the games, gifts and refreshments made possible through the Men's Club. Mrs. R. W. McCord, Miss Lena Schinnick and Mrs. F. Vernon Jones had charge of arangements.

### Personal News Notes

Daisy Mendenhall returned home this week to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mendenhall. Mrs. Mendenhall is just recovering from the influenza.

Carolyn Overacker is home for the holidays and will return to the University of California in January.

## COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE

REGISTER'S FRATERNAL, SOCIAL AND AMUSEMENT CALENDAR

Jan. 8.—Country Club, Centerville.
Jan. 15—Niles Parent-Teacher Association.
Jan. 18—Centerville Assembly Dance.
Jan. 25—Friendly Club, Mrs. Parker, 2 p. m.

## KEEPING CHRISTMAS

By HENRY VAN DYKE

IT IS a good thing to observe Christmas Day. The mere marking of times and seasons, when men agree to work and make merry together, is a wise and wholesome custom. It helps one to feel the supremacy of the common life over the individual life. It reminds man to set his own little watch, now and then, by the great clock of humanity which runs on sun time.

But there is a better thing than the observance of Christmas Day, and that is, keeping Christmas.

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellowmen are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough; to bear in mind the things that other people have to bear on their hearts; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want, without waiting for them to tell you; to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts, and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

And if you keep it for a day why not always?

## Tips for Santa Claus

With only three shopping days left before Christmas, those last-minute gifts can be purchased with the least effort and time in Washington Township. Every hour is precious in the last hectic rush and fortunately you can find suitable for young and old right here in the home town stores.

We made a personal tour of inspection, just to be sure about it.

**Christmas Savings Club**

Those who enjoy their Christmas shopping most are those who are prepared for it financially and can take care of their purchases without interfering with the regular budget. The secret is a Christmas Savings account. Open one at the Niles Branch of the Bank of Alameda County without fail before the new year starts so that when next Christmas arrives you'll have plenty of money on hand. A small deposit weekly does wonders in a year. Initial payment in one of the clubs would be an excellent gift for any one.

**A Living Tree**

First you will want to arrange about your tree, in case you haven't already done so. The popular thing this year is to have a living one and for that, of course, we'll go to the California Nursery, where there is offered an assortment of all kinds and sizes, in tubs or ready for planting, at a price very little above what you pay for the ordinary cut tree.

**For Xmas Stockings**

But if for some reason you are not yet ready to purchase your living tree, then you will find others of all sizes, fresh and symetrical at Duarte's or The Mutual. And while you are in these stores you will find your holiday fruits, cakes, and candies. For the Christmas stockings there are those cunning animal crackers all covered with sugar and colorful dots, different and better for the kiddies than too much candy. Duarte's is noted for its absolute first ity fresh vegetables, many tomers coming from other t to buy there.

At the Mutual you will find dolls and coaster wagons.

**Cheese**

Speaking of Christmas di don't forget that bit of cheese the demi tasse, and ask for Kr It's decidedly better.

**Roasts**

If the size of your family do justify a turkey, telephone 35 and ask the Quality Market send you one of their choice And every thoughtful house will lessen the work for those few days before Christmas by ing an extra large roast in house, one cooking doing for eral meals. The Quality can depended upon for Quality quick delivery.

**Turkey Substitute**

If the budget won't stretch to clude the Christmas turkey, he a wonderful substitute. Order st cut half an inch thick, pork or from Hellwig and LaGrave's Market, spread them with tu dressing, roll up and tie string. Bake in red hot oven fifteen minutes, then in mode oven for an hour. Try this, put corn meal muffine in dressing to replace half of the er bread you use. That's real fashioned Southern style.

**Ice Cream**

If you are planning to have cream for dessert, order it f the Wesley Hotel.

**Lessen Home Cooking**

Or, if it will be more pleas to have the holiday meal away f home, try the Florence or Home Restaurant. They have reputation of being "the places in Niles to eat." And fri husband, what a nice surprise would be for the wife, to sugg that after all the extra exertion

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## DECOTO RE-ELECTS C. OF C OFFICERS

Re-election of all officers of the Decoto Chamber of Commerce took place at a meeting held this week, officers being:

Pete Decoto, president.
Walter Walker, vice-president.
J. L. Olsen, treasurer.
Roland Bendel, secretary.

There was also a discussion of better phone service for Decoto.

### Christmas Treat For Children by P. T. A.

Children at the Niles Grammar school were given a special Christmas treat last Friday by the Parent-Teacher Association, a dessert of cake and jello, also fruit, being given to each when they obtained their lunch at the cafeteria. Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth was chairman of the committee in charge.

## CHRISTMAS TREE AT NILES CHURC

### Sunday School Will Gi Program Next Sunday Evening

Annual Christmas exercises the Niles Congregational chur will be held in the Sunday Sch rooms Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. A program will be giv and the carols will be sung ab the tree which is to be decorat by the Niles Group of Campf girls.

Each child will be given so Christmas candy. The six ch dren at the Welfare Home ha been especially invited to present.

Mrs. J. E. Townsend has char of arrangements and is assisted Mrs. E. Plumb, Elsie Hodges, B Amyx and Dorothy Smith.

## Christmas Gatherings

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Ford will spend Christmas day with Mr. Ford's sister, Mrs. W. L. Kuser, of San Francisco.

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Mr. and Mrs. Barton L. Webb will entertain Mrs. Fannie Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin E. Bowman and family and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bowman, of Santa Barbara, and Carl L. Bowman, of Arcata, at Christmas dinner.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eberly will spend Christmas day with Mrs. Eberly's sister, Mrs. John A. Cussen, and family, of San Francisco.

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Mrs. Marie Mhoh, of San Jose, will spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. George L. Donovan.

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Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Bunting will entertain with a family dinner party including Mrs. F. O. Bunting and Mrs. Guthrie, of Centerville, Mrs. Leanora Garvey and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gurnett, of San Francisco.

Paul Donovan is spending th Christmas holidays with his pa ents, Mr. and Mrs. George Don van.

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Mrs. M. N. Crane will entertai her sister, Mrs. A. W. Barnett, Oroville, on Christmas, also M Barnett and son who have been Niles for the past week.

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Dr. and Mrs. John Adams wi entertain Mr. and Mrs. Grahar Adams, of San Francisco, C. Knapp, of Oakland, Mrs. E. Help and daughter, of Los Angeles, an Mrs. Hyldred Riggs and two son of Oakland, at Christmas dinner.

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William, Marcella and Hele Haffey accompanied by thei father spent last Sunday with thei grandmother, Mrs. A. B. Haley William, who formerly lived Newark, is now studying minin engineering at the University California.

## The Beautiful Gift

What can a mother give her children
Greater today than this one great thing—
Faith in an old, sweet, beautiful story,
A star—a stable—a new-born king?

Shining faith in the young lad, Jesus:
Lover of high white things was He:
Jesus—straigh as a Lebanon cedar;
Jesus—clean as the winds from the sea.

Faith in the young lad come to manhood:
Jesus compassionate tender and true—
Oh, my children—what more glorious
Gift in the world can I give to you?

Carry it high like a lamp in the darkness,
Hold it for warmth when the day is cold—
Keep it for joy when youth goes singing,
Clasp it for peace when you are old.

What can a mother give her children
More than a faith that will not dim?
Take it, my dear ones—hold it forever:
A lamp for a lifetime—faith in Him.

—GRACE NOLL CROWELL.

## Christmas Gatherings

Mr. and Mrs. A. Peacock of Decoto, are to spend Christmas in Los Angeles.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Johnson, of Belvoir Hotel, will spend Christmas in Berkeley.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Bonde will entertain with a family dinner on Christmas day, including Mrs. C. L. Jorgensen and Miss Adelyn Jorgensen ,of San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jorgensen and son, of Oakland.

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Harry Green, of Galt, will spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Fern Mitte.

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Mr. and Mrs. Norman H. Parks will have Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Williamson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Waterbury, of Centerville, are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jarrell and family, of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Jones and family, of Oakland, on Christmas day.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Macpherson will spend Christmas day in Oakland.

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Mrs. Emilie Chittenden will have Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. George Chittenden, of Oakland.

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Jerome Sharp and Hubert Bovee, of Belvoir Hotel, and Mrs. Florence Robinson and children will have Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bishop, of Centerville.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gygax, of Newark, will spend Christmas in Los Angeles.

### MANUEL J. FIELDS DIES AT NILES HOME

Manuel Joseph Fields, 73, of Niles, died at his home Monday morning. He was a native of the Azores islands and had spent many years in California.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Clara Fields; four sons, Manuel Joseph Fields, Jr., of San Leandro, George Fields, of Niles, Henry Fields, of Newark, and Walter Fields, of Niles; and one daughter, Mrs. Lily Montague, of Oakland. He was a member of the U. P. E. C. of Centerville.

Funeral services were held at the family home at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning and at Corpus Christi church, where mass was said for the repose of his soul.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duarte will entertain with a Christmas dinner including Mrs. Ribeiro, of Niles; Mr. and Mrs. William Duarte, of Castro Valley; and Judge and Mrs. J. A. Silva, of Niles.


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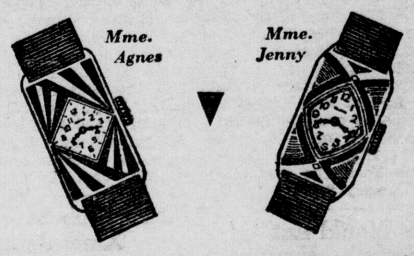


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### DRAMATIC CLUB

The Centerville Dramatic Club presented a three-act comedy, "Cyclone Sally," at the Newark school auditorium Friday evening, December 14. The play was given for the benefit of St. Edward's Catholic church of Newark. Frank Jones, assisted by Miss Elsie Madrugs, of Centerville, trained the cast and directed the play. The leading lady was Irene Alameda as Cyclone Sally and the rest of the cast follows: John Andrade, Sally Graham. Anthony Oliveira, Ruth Saramento, Marie L. Rose, John Oliveira, Philip Souza, Edith Oliveira and Marie White. Between acts music was furnished by the Bettencourt orchestra of Alviso. Maurice Silva, son of J. D. Silva, sang several solos. He was accompanied on the piano by Miss Antoninette Botelho, of Centerville.

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A strange freak of lightning in our little valley was the striking of a building, the tank house on the place of Mr. Howard Chadbourne; it scattered the shingles, ran down the aerial wires into the house, around the room in which Mrs. Chadbourne was sitting and out into the next room.

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Mrs. F. O. Bunting drove to Fresno Saturday, returning on Sunday.

St. James Guild met at Memorial Hall last Wednesday. Mrs. R. Emerson and Mrs. McWhirter were hostesses. In spite of the rain fifteen ladies were present. The most important business was voting $100 on the debt of the hall. This was the last meeting for the year. The next will be held with the President, Mrs. C. Emerson at her home January 10th.

## JOIN RED CROSS AS PART OF CHRISTMAS

There is still time to send in your check for the 1928 Red Cross Roll Call. If your membership has not been entered be sure that it is an item on your last-minute shopping notes. A dollar for the Red Cross is a Christmas gift for yourself and for all that Christmas and the Red Cross stands for. Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Christ, the Red Cross a symbol of His life of service. This is the appropriate time of the year to remind the public that this organization is one of service.

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### K. C. Turkey Whist Next Saturday Night

The Centerville Council of the Knights of Columbus will give a turkey whist party in Parish Hall Saturday evening, December 22. Those in charge of arrangements are John Regan, of Niles and F. W. Lewis, of Centerville.

### Service Club Meets Next Time Jan. 3rd

The Centerville Service Club has adjourned its meetings until January 3, according to action taken at the meeting held last Thursday.

### Personal News Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bonner, Allen Bonner and son, and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Herrick, of San Francisco called at the J. C. Shinn home Sunday.

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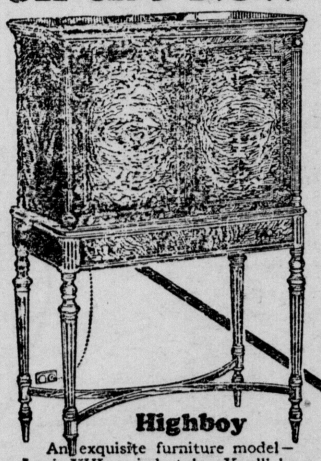

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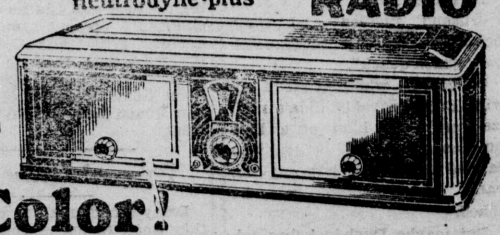

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# ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS SEALS MUST BE ON ALL XMAS BUNDLES

Your Christmas packages are not complete without several of the Anti-Tuberculosis seals on each and of course no letter or greeting is properly sealed wtihout them.

Committees throughout the township will furnish the stamps upon request and those who received the seals through the mails might take this as a reminder to mail in checks if this has not already been attended to.

The Anti-Tuberculsis campaign is a popular one all over the country but should be especially so in this county which boasts one of the most unique and progressive tuberculosis preventoriums in the United States—Del Valle Preventorium at Livermore. The stamps you buy mean health for the kiddies.

Just another way of saying, lets "stamp" out tuberculosis!

## Mrs. Robert Fisher Wins First Prize at Friendly Club

Mrs. Robert Fisher won high prize at the Friendly Bridge Club which met at the home of Mrs. F. M. Hudson last Thursday afternoon. Low prize went to Mrs. W. H. Ford. Other members present were Mrs. R. H. Hunt, Mrs. P. A. Ellis, Mrs. Wm. Eberly, Mrs. Robert Tyson and Mrs. Ben Tyson.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Alma Inman Parker and will be held the fourth Friday instead of on the regular meeting day, the third Thursday.

## Personal News Notes

Charles Haley has returned fro his mine in Nevada and while here he visited with his mother, Mrs A. B. Haley, who celebrated h r birthday with him.

# Christmas Gatherings

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hunt will entertain Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Mosher, of Piedmont, and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mosher, of Niles, at Christmas dinner.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Townsend will entertain with a family dinner on Christmas day, including Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Horne, of Burlingame, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Godwin, of San Francisco, and Mrs. E. Fabian and four children, of Sacramento.

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Mr. and Mrs. William Moore will entertain at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Coyne and son, James W. Coyne, of Piedmont; Mrs. Helen Nolan and daughter, J. M. Coyne and Wm. Coyne and son, of Oakland.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harold Houghton and Harold, Jr., will be guests of Miss Betty Houghton, in San Francisco, Christmas day.

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Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Walpert and Miss Jacqueline are in Los Angeles for Christmas.

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Mrs. Lulu Stoops, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stoops of San Leandro.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lester Duffey will entertain at Christmas dinner, Mrs. K. Duffey, Melvin and George Duffey, Mr. and Mrs. Marston Dassel and Grant and Warren Catterlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wilder will spend Christmas in San Francisco.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blacow will spend Christmas in San Francisco.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson and H. B. Rathbun will spend Christmas in Oakland.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Solon will entertain with a family dinner Christmas, including Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Solon, J. Solon, of Mission San Jose, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Solon, of San Francisco.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lannes Sharman, of Centerville, will entertain with a family dinner on Christmas, including Captain and Mrs. George Sperbeck, Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Massin, of Alameda; Mr. and Mrs. Cole, of San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Ellis and Mrs. Laura Walton, of Niles.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. Frontz will entertain Mrs. Frontzs sister, Mrs. Newell Knight and her husband, of San Francisco at Christmas dinner.

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Mr. and Mrs. Philip Moore and family will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dusterberry, of Centerville.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Martenstein and daughter will spend Christmas day in Oakland.

## WARM SPRINGS
By MRS. H. J. ALLARD

The wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith took place at Milpitas Catholic Church Sunday, December 16. The bride was Miss Emma Garcia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Garcia; Joe Smith, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith. After a short honeymoon, the couple will reside in Warm Springs.

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The marriage of Miss Mary Devale of Newark, and Mr. Tony Vargas, of this place, will take place Wednesday, December 19, at the Newark Catholic Church. The couple will reside in Warm Springs, where Mr. Vargas has just completed a new home.

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Council 84, of the S. P. R. S. I. lodge, will meet next Thursday afternoon, December 20, at their usual meeting place.

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Miss C. Brazil, having been ill the past week, has resumed her position in San Jose.

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Miss Mae Smith has returned home from a two weeks' visit with relatives in San Francisco.

## SUNDAY EVENING FORUM AT NILES CHURCH POPULAR

Those attending the open forum of the Niles Coongregational church last Sunday evening declared it one of the most interesting meetings yet held in this department of the church's work. Speakers were Mrs. John Adams and Miss Lucy Shinn. Mrs. Alma Inman Parker had charge of the devotionals.

The public is invited to attend these meetings which are held each Sunday evening at the parsonage at 7:30 o'clock. A general discussion of some character of the Bible features each meeting.

## TOYAN BRANCH'S BROOMS WILL DO FOR XMAS GIFTS

For those friends you wish to remember at Christmas time and have not yet provided for, Toyan Branch of the Baby Hospital suggests one of the attractive cocoanut hearth brooms they have been selling this season for the hospital which receives fifty per cent of the profits of the sales.

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## Campfire Girls Aid In Christmas Party For Poor Children

Boxes given to the children attending the Christmas party given at the Country Club building in Centerville by the Men's Club were packed by members of the Niles and the Newark groups of Campfire Girls. Reports were that the work kas done so well that the girls deserve an extra bead for their services.

## Clothes Line Thief Is In Niles Again

The clothes line thief deserves to be given a surprise. This habit of his is getting inconvenient. Last Monday evening he paid a visit to the R. H. Hunt and the H. E. Mosher homes and helped himself to a large assortment of valuable clothing, linen, etc., that had been left out on the line.

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The program consisted of a playlet, "The Spirit of Campfire," readings, candle ceremonial, presentation of beads, and singing of the Christmas carols. After games and dancing, refreshments were served.

The girls presented Mrs. Townsend with a most attractive bridge lamp as an expression of their appreciation of her many hours of effort in making possible for them a worthwhile and enjoyable program of campfire work. Each mother was also presented with a gift, made by the girls.

Those present were: Guests, Patty Bliss, Theo Elliott, Helen Avila, Beatrice Johnson, Cleda Farmer, Martha Crane, Rosemary Clarke; members of Tinega group: Estelle Martenstein, Patsy Duffey, Evelyn Rose, Verna Orcutt, Muriel Fournier, Agnes Trinchero, Lucile Alves, Leona Solan, Mildred Law, Irma Hodges, Betty Bunker, Lorene Kern and their mothers.

## Christmas Jamboree at Assembly Dance

A regular old-time Christmas jamboree was enjoyed by the members of the Centerville Assembly who attended the dance given last Friday evening. Christmas decorations added to the festivity of the occasion and an especially enjoyable feature was the music given by Harry Salz after the orchestra had departed at midnight. Singing of the carols and plenty of good "eats" completed the evening.

The next dance will be given on January 18.


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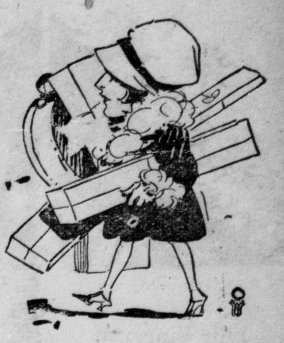

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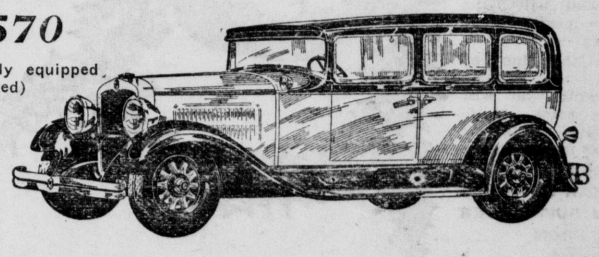

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THURSDAY and FRIDAY—"The Cloud Dodger" and Richard Barthelmess in "Out of the Ruins."

SATURDAY—"Gun Gospel" and Adolphe Menjou in "His Private Life."

SUNDAY and MONDAY—Richard Dix in "Moran of the Marines"
TUESDAY—Hoot Gibson in "The Danger Line."

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY—"Price of Fear" and "Lady Be Good"



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## WICKED COW KICKS BURKE'S SHOULDER OUT OF JOINT

Ever since the cow kicked over the lamp that started the big Chicago fire, kicking cows have been good news items and now comes the story of one John Burke, of the Zwissig Dairy, the victim of another kicking bovine.

First aid was sought from Dr. Chas. Law when Mr. Burke suffered a dislocated shoulder as the result of an energetic kick from one of the Zwissig cows. The patient refused to be swathed in bandages and shoulder straps and insisted upon going back to work as soon as the dislocation was remedied

## Personal News Notes

George Teeter has been seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. N. Crane, for the past two weeks.

Mrs. James R. Whipple was in San Francisco Wednesday on business.

Mrs. A. W. Seebart was shopping in Oakland Monday.

Robert Fuller, of San Francisco, spent Sunday with his mother at the Niles Home. He is a radio star of K. P. O.

The Odd Fellows and Rebeccas with their families are going to have a Christmas tree Saturday night. H Lovell Scott is in charge and Mrs. Mary Barnard, Mrs. Jean Lacombe, Miss Edith Rose and Mrs. M. L. Fournier, of the Rebecca Lodge, will assist in the preparations.

Last Thursday, Mrs. S. McQuoid, Reverend McConnel and Mrs. Curdy were at the Niles Home visiting Mr. McQuoid.

Leo Oliver is now at home for his Christmas vacation. Ht is attending the University of California.

## Richard Dix In Moran of Marines

Richard Dix in "Moran of the Marines" is the headliner of the Niles Theater program announced for this week, this feature to be shown Sunday and Monday.

This evening, "The Cloud Dodger," and Richard Barthelmess in "Out of the Ruins" will be shown, the same program Friday. On Saturday, Ken Maynard in "Gun Gospel," and Adolphe Menjou in "His Private Life" are the features.

Tuesday Hoot Gibson will star in "The Danger Rider," and next Wednesday and Thursday "Price of Fear" and "Lady Be Good," will be the double attraction.

# Washington Township Doing Its Part In Living Xmas Tree Club

Christmas out of doors! Christmas trees that live! Christmas memories give place to living reminders of yule-tide joy. It is the day of the living Christmas tree, and Washington Township is doing its part to carry on in the effor to have 50,000 living Christmas trees in the state this year.

Monday evening the lights on Niles' beautiful tree on the main street were lighted and each evening at dusk they will shine out, carrying to all who come to look upon and to the passersby the message of the Christmas spirit. Lights and fixtures have been purchased by the Chamber of Commerce and the Niles out-door Christmas tree is now an annual feature assured for the future.

In addition to this, Niles also is fortunate in having at her front door the beautifully lighted tree at the California Nursery display grounds.

Centerville's out-door tree in the public park near the railroad station is also forming its part of the chain of living Christmas trees up and down the state.

The Outdoor Christmas Tree Association of California has its head quarters in San Francisco. Clarence F. Pratt, president, was in Centerville this past week on business. He states that the objects of the association are:

To assist in the preservation of the forests of California.

To teach the children as well as the grown-ups, forestry.

To encourage the planting and caring for of out-door living Christmas trees by the children.

To advertise our wonderful all-year-round out-door California climate.

To enable more people to see and enjoy your outdoor Christmas tree than an indoor tree;

To assist in bringing back the old-fashioned Christmas re-union.

Every person who has an out-door Christmas tree is asked to send a picture of it to the Association, 518 Hearst Building, San Francisco. These will be used for national circulation and for next year's campaign.

December 15 was the date set for lighting the trees. Every part of the state has joined in the movement with a vim which is expected to carry the quota of 50,000 out-door decorated trees way "over the top." Chambers of Commerce, Rotary and Service clubs, Boy Scouts, school children, women's clubs and municipalities are all joining in the great movement to conserve our forests and at the same time advertise California's wonderful out-door winter climate.

Mary Pickford, chairman of the Southern California Division of the association, has sent out hundreds of letters to residents of Beverly Hills asking them to have lawn Christmas trees ready for lighting when the dozens of trees on the "Pickfair" estate are illuminated

The famous Luther Burbank tree at Santa Rosa, beneath which the body of the beloved naturalist is buried will be decorated and illuminated as Santa Rosa's contribution to the movement.

# *Xmas Gatherings*

Miss Ella Schinnick, of San Francisco, wil spend Christmas day with her sister, Miss Lena Schinnick, of Niles.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Braun will entertain with a family dinner party on Christmas day, including Mrs. Carthy, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McGowan, and Miss Florence Braun, of San Francisco.

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Bill Jones will spend Christmas in Elsparta.

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Luther Wiekersham will spend Christmas in Santa Rosa.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bunker will entertain Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nihill, of Allegheney, and Miss Celeste Bunker at Christmas dinner.

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Mr. and Mrs. George C. Roeding and little son will spend Christmas in Piedmont.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Alberg and daughter will spend Christmas with Mrs. M. Atzeroth, of San Francisco.

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Mrs. Mary Barnard will attend a family gathering at Dunningan for the wek-end until after Chrismas.

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Mary, Billy and Helen Bliss will be at home to celebrate Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Mary Bliss. Billy is now stationed at Richmond.

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Mr. and Mrs. Broughton, of the Belvoir Hotel, will spend Christmas at Tracy.

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Luther Rood, state editor of the Oakland Tribune, and his wife, Alice Ryan Rood, editor of the Magazine of the Woman's City Club, will visit friends in Niles during the holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tyson and Mrs. Ben Tyson leave Sunday for Yosemite where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Vieux will entertain Mr. and Mrs. John Geib, James and George Geib, Mr. and Mrs. Koland and family, and Mrs. J. Fraser, of San Francisco, at Christmas dinner.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. Butler will entertain at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fields, Mr. and Mrs. M. Marshall and family, and George Fornandos, of Salinas.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Thane and Mrs. James R. Whipple will have Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hobbs, of Los Gatos. Mrs. B. L. Thane and Miss Fay Thane, also Gattis Yates, of San Francisco will be among other guests present.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Young are entertaining on Christmas day, including Mrs. G. M. Voorheis, of Oakland; Mrs. Powell, of Palo Alto; and Miss Dorothy Young, of Palo Alto.

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Mrs. Margaret Scott of the Niles Home is going to spend Christmas with relatives in San Francisco.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth will entertain with a house-party for the Christmas holidays, guests included being: Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cole and son, of Vacaville; Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Smethers and two daughters, of Ripon; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Morgan and daughter, of Modesto; Miss Jean Howard, of Vacaville; Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Siebert, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Ellsworth, of Berkeley; also Mr. and Mrs. Marston Dassel, of Niles; and Mr. and Mrs. F. Vernon Jones, of Niles.

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Mr. Burton Wing is spending Christmas in Santa Cruz with his daughter, Mrs. S. J. Berisaca.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crawford, of San Leandro, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Crawford, of Oakland, will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bradley, of San Leandro, on Christmas day.

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For fear readers of The Register didn't see the announcement of one of the biggest programs for the season, notice is given of the KYA broadcast which will begin at 7 oclock Monday evening and lasting throughout Christmas day

Monday evening a musical program will be broadcast from the San Francisco municipal auditorium under the direction of Rosenkrans, including the municipal chorus, the municipal band and organ renditions of "First Noel," Silver Night," Adeste Fidelis," and other carols.

Madame Sophie Samorukova, celebrated prima donna, will sing, "O Holy Night," In addition there will be a pageant with vocal numbers by 150 children.

Microphones, installed in the choir gallery and other points, will carry the midnight services from St. Ignatius church with organ music, orchestra and full choral accompaniment, with carols and all the ritual which makes this one of the outstanding of San Francisco's Christmas observances. This broadcast will begin 10 minutes before midnight.

At 8 o'clock Christmas morning the KYA studio program will star with a selected group of carol singers. A short Christmas message will be given by Rev. Frederick W. Clampett, feature writer of The Examiner.

## ALVADARO
By MRS. F. W. JOYCE

F. C. Harvey, H. M. Springer and John Ralph have been appointed on a committee to take under advisement plans for creating a lighting district in Alvarado.

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The next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held the first Thursday in January, according to President Boyd.

A. S. Mello, M. Machado and J. E. Lewis are acting as a committee from the Chamber of Commerce to take up with the county surveyor the matter of designating a dumping ground on the Moffett property near the bay. A report will be made at the next meeting of the Chamber.

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Charles R. Nauert will have a family gathering at his home for Christmas. Those to be present are: Miss Mildred Nauert, of Alvarado; Oscar Nauert, of Oakland; A. B. Nauert and family, of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Nauert, of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heitmiller, of Oakland; and Mr. and Mrs. John D. Boyd, of San Francisco.

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Miss Mildred Nauert was shopping in the city Wednesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. August May will entertain with a family dinner at their home on Christmas day.

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Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Emery will entertain with a family dinner on Christmas including Mr. and Mrs. Howard Decker and son, of Martinez; and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Emery, of Alvarado.

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Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lowrie, guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Ralph, are improving after a severe illness.

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The Christmas program of the Presbyterian Sunday School will be held at the church Sunday evening at 7:30 oclock. Mrs. Milton Munger has charge of arrangements.

## CENTERVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dusterberry attended a dinner dance in San Francisco Saturday evening at the St. Francis hotel.

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Mrs. George Coit was away the last week-end in Berkeley with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Brown.

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Mrs. George Emerson is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. Gemmel and also Charles Williams.

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The Centerville, Alameda and Berkeley councils of Knights of Columbus held services Sunday morning at 8:00 in the Centerville Catholic church. About seventy members were assembled. The music was contributed by the Berkeley choir.

## IRVINGTON

Another living Christmas tree is added to the list in Washington Township. R. J. Wright, president of the Chamber of Commerce, is making arrangements with the P. G. & E., for an illuminated tree in the public park at Irvington.

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The Irvington Community church had a most successful Christmas entertainment Wednesday evening. Comedies and pageants featured the program, with Santa Claus himself as the climax of the evening.

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Mildred Durham was shopping in San Jose Tuesday.

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Joe Blacow was in San Francisco on business Wednesday.


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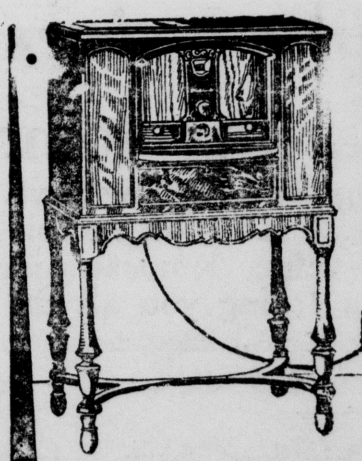

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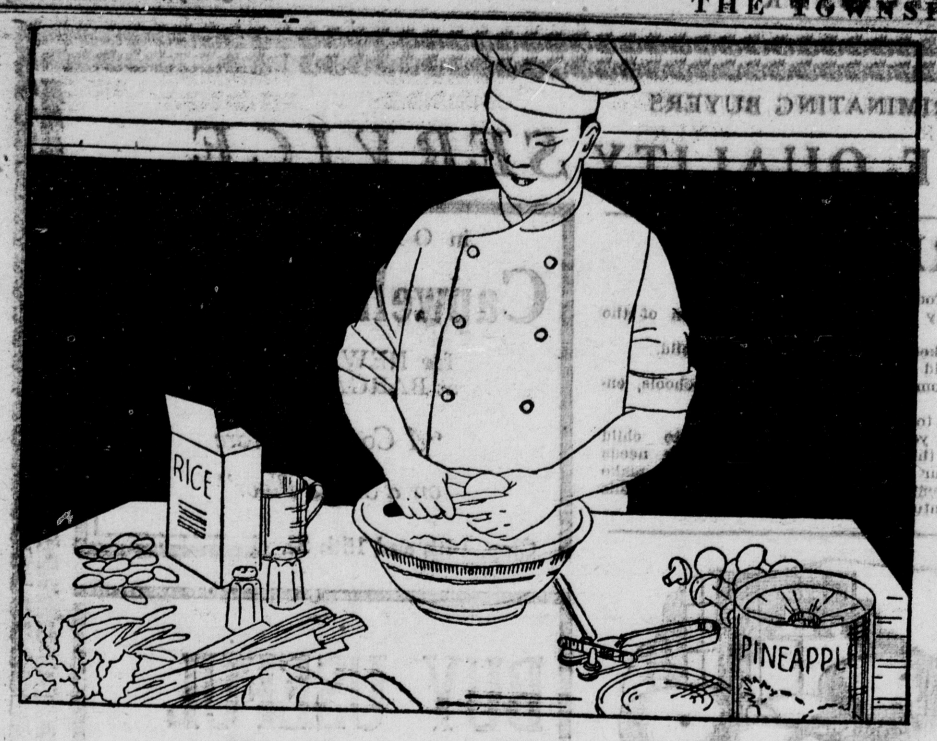


# A Hint From the Chinese Cook

ONE sometimes wonders when walking down the streets of a large city just what would happen if all the Chinese cooks were called back to China and all the Chinese restaurants were closed. At present their numbers seem endless, and it goes without saying that their methods have affected American ideas in cookery. Women who employ Chinese cooks in their homes say that they display a wonderful earnestness and adaptability to their work. Yet when they make a distinctively French or American dish it never seems quite French or American; it has the Chinese touch somewhere about it, and occasionally this difference is an improvement. As for the purely Chinese dishes, they have come without doubt to stay. Who, having once tasted a well-made Chow Mein or Chop Suey, would be willing to omit the occasional appearance of these in their dietary?

Adapting Chinese dishes to American appetites has been an admirable achievement. One of the means these Oriental cooks have used to this end is the pineapple, a fruit much favored by Americans. For instance, in the somewhat unusual recipes which follow, the introduction of pineapple adds greatly to the choiceness of the Chop Suey and the oriental chicken and pineapple.

**CHOP SUEY A LA AMERICAN:** Cut the breast meat of an uncooked chicken into strips one inch long. Cook these for 2 minutes in 1 tablespoon of butter. Add ¾ cup celery cut in thin slices crosswise, one small, finely diced onion, 6 mushrooms cut in slices. Cook 5 minutes, and add 1 cup chicken stock, ½ teaspoon sugar, 2 teaspoons Shoyu Sauce, ½ green pepper thinly sliced, 1 teaspoon cornstarch mixed with 2 tablespoons cold water, and lastly ½ cup sliced Hawaiian pineapple cut in small pieces. Bring to boiling-point and let simmer 3 minutes. Serve with plain boiled rice.

**ORIENTAL CHICKEN AND PINEAPPLE:** Heat 1 cup drained crushed Hawaiian pineapple in 4 tablespoons hot butter. Blend smoothly into this 6 tablespoons flour. Add 1½ cups chicken stock. Season with salt and pepper. Stir until boiling and thickened, then add 3 cups diced cooked chicken. When very hot pour on platter garnished with toast. Sprinkle with salted almonds.

Professionals in domestic science have for several years experimented with pineapple in combination with other foods and have found among other things that pineapple helps to bring out the delicate, easily elusive flavor of eggplant, whether baked or stuffed; that it counteracts the mealiness of sweet potatoes; that it is excellent as an ingredient in stuffing for fowl, fish, or even tomato; and that it provides a desirable tartness with starchy foods such as rice and tapioca. The following recipes illustrate some of these interesting combinations.

**BAKED EGGPLANT:** Pare an eggplant, cut in slices crosswise and cook in salted water until tender. Drain and mash. Add 1 cup butter, ½ cup stale breadcrumbs, 2 well-beaten eggs, salt and pepper to taste, ½ cup crushed Hawaiian pineapple. Fill individual moulds sprinkle with buttered crumbs and bake in hot oven 15 minutes. Garnish with parsley.

**STUFFED EGGPLANT WITH PINEAPPLE:** Cook eggplant in boiling salted water for 15 minutes. Cut slice from top and with spoon remove pulp, taking care not to work too closely to the skin. Chop pulp and add 1 cup breadcrumbs, ¾ cup crushed Hawaiian pineapple, 2 tablespoons butter, ½ teaspoon grated nutmeg, and a beaten egg with enough cream or milk to make a good stuffing consistency. Season with salt and pepper, and stir. Refill eggplant, cover with buttered crumbs and bake 25 minutes in hot oven.

**SCALLOPED SWEET POTATOES:** Put in 4 alternate layers, 2 cups cold boiled sweet potatoes cut in ¼ inch slices, and 1½ cups crushed Hawaiian pineapple. Sprinkle each layer with salt, brown sugar, and dots of butter, amounting in all to ½ cup brown sugar, 1 teaspoon salt, 4 tablespoons butter.

**STUFFED SWEET POTATOES:** Bake 6 even-sized sweet potatoes, cut in halves lengthwise and scoop out most of the contents. Mash, and season with 2 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon salt, and ½ cup well-drained crushed Hawaiian pineapple. Beat in ¼ cup chopped nuts and fill the potato shells. Put 2 marshmallows on top of each filled shell and brown under the broiler flame.

**TOMATOES WITH PINEAPPLE DRESSING:** Scoop the centers from 6 tomatoes. To make the dressing chop 6 slices of fried bacon, 1 onion, the tomato centers, and add to 2 cups crushed Hawaiian pineapple, enough breadcrumbs t make the right amount to fill the tomatoes. Cover with crumbs and grated cheese and bake in hot oven 20 minutes.


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## Ring's Low-Down on Deep Subject

By RING LARDNER

To the Editor:

It seems like as if it was up to me to settle a big argument which has occurred between Al Mamaux and Jack Kieran. It must be exclaimed that Mr. Kieran is one of the baseball writers on the New York Times and a prominent golf player. Mr. Mamaux is somewhat of a veteran big league baseball pitcher, who used to be the best singer in the big leagues. The argument was reported by Mr. Harry Salsinger of the Detroit News. Mr. Salsinger is a tall skiuny handsome brunette who looks not unlike the writer only he has more hair.

Well it seems like Mr. Mamaux and Mr. Kieran got into a fishing argument namely, Mr. Mamaux claimed that if you took a bucket, the bucket would weigh just the same like as if no fish had been dropped into it.

"A live fish can't possibly increase the weight of water," said Mr. Mamaux. "A dead fish, that is different matter, because that would be dead weight."

Well they went to a laboratory in Detroit where this bitter argument started and asked the professor of fish which was right and who was wrong, so the professor said he would make a test but he didn't have no live fish on hand that day and Mr. Mamaux would not stand for no test being made with a dead fish. Finely they went to a fish market and they had a tub full of water there weighing 95 pounds and they found a fish named Carp who weighed three pounds and they put it in the tub and then weighed the total which weighed 97 pounds so Mr. Mamaux claimed that clinched his argument because in the first place the carp was dead and in the second place he only increased the weight of the tub two pounds whereas the fish man admitted that his weight before being dropped into the tub was three pounds.

"That shows how right I am," said Mr. Mamaux.

"No it don't," retorted Mr. Kieran, "All it proves is that nobody with any brains should ought to buy fish from this market."

Well friends the reason I feel called upon to horn into this argument is that all my life I been making a study of weights and displacements and etc., and I will give you a few facts to prove that it is a very tricky subject and a person should not ought to get into no argument in regards to same unless they have mastered it.

If you will go into a restaurant and order a large glass of milk and weigh it before you touch cup to lip you will find that the total weight is about one ounce. Then if you will wait a few moments till a fly drops into the glass and weigh it again, why if the fly is just a common fly and still alive you will find that the weight of the entire project ain't increased even one fly weight but if the fly was dead when it dropped in, why then will be a increased weight of 10 and no hundreds minims a specially if the fly was a horse fly.

On the other hand if you take a pail of water or beer and drop a live rat in same, the weight of the pail will increase exactly as much as the rat weighed in the first place and if you make it two rats, the weight will increase pro rata. But if one or both of the rats, happens to get drowned they will come to the surface looking like drowned rats and at the same time proving that they didn't weigh nothing or they would of sunk. It is kind of dangerous to make this test in a pail of beer as the rats goes right to it and are libel to reach the singing stage.

The most conclusive test I ever made along these lines was one time when I took a night boat from N Y to Albany on the Hudson river First it was necessary to weigh the river and then the boat when it was empty and afterwards when all the passengers got a board Then I made all the passengers come into the weighing room and get weighed one by one When the boat got to Albany the next morning the river looked just like it did the last time I was up there

Prof Sump of Severe University New Hampshire, once made a experiment which perhaps proves more than the foregoing. He weighed all the passengers that was going on a trip from New York to Cherbourg and then weighed them all again when the ship got to Cherbourg They didn't weigh nowheres near as much Prof Sump was much impressed

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### Dodging a Debt

"Well, said the lawyer to an acquaintance, "how goes the world with you?"

"Splendid! Magnificent!" said the other. "I wish I could get away to the races every day."

"How's that?"

"Oh, I went there yesterday and made $10,000."

"That's very good indeed!" said the lawyer. "And it's rather fortunate too, because Jones has come to me about a little matter of $50 you owe him. You might as well pay him now, mightn't you?"

"I suppose I might," said the other, "only I said $10,000. But I meant $10. I simply put too many noughts on the end. Yes, it was $10—and I haven't been able to get it yet."—Argonaut.

## WHY

### Periods of Rest, With Music Are Beneficial

Music twice a day has proved a remedy for "that tired feeling" in cotton mills.

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At ten o'clock and at three o'clock work stops for twelve minutes. The power is completely shut off. In place of the whirring of machinery, the harmony of lively airs pervades the plant for the rest periods. Any form of relaxation is permitted to the tune of the latest song hit. The music is supplied by a reproducing phonograph, amplified and distributed through all the floors of the plant by loud speakers in each department.

### Why Person Can Seem to Be Reliving Past

Dr. W. A. White, superintendent of St. Elizabeth's hospital, Washington, says that for one to feel suddenly that he has been in exactly the same situation before, with identical surroundings and people, is a common experience and is technically known as "paramnesia." Briefly explained the reaction depends upon a little trick of the mind manifested by a momentary loss of a sense of time and space. The individual enters into an experience or a situation, obtains a fleeting impression of this situation, then the attention is momentarily attracted to something else. The period of time may be almost infinitesimal. Then upon the return of the attention to the original situation this lapse of time is lost to the individual and the period between the two experiences seems occasionally to expand into a long period, even into the remote past. Another explanation, which is based on more recent psychological investigations, holds that one's unconscious mind sees much more than the attentive conscious one and that a situation, even to its details, may be taken in without paying direct conscious attention to it. Then a moment later when the faculties of the conscious mind are at work on the situation, the experience seems to have been experienced before. Here again the lapse of time between the two impressions may be greatly overestimated and expanded.

### Why Moth's Odd Tongue

The moth has a most peculiar tongue. It is rolled up in a tiny coil which looks like the hairspring of a watch, and this is on the under side of the insect's head.

It looks quite small when rolled up but it can be uncoiled in a flash into a straight tube an inch or more in length.

Watch a moth visiting flowers, and you will see how it is used. The insect either remains hovering in the air or alights upon a petal; then the tongue straightens out suddenly, and is thrust into the innermost recesses of the flower to obtain the honey which is hidden there.

A few moments are spent in sipping and then the tongue springs back into its coil and away goes the moth to seek another flower.

The length of the tongue depends upon the flower visited by the particular kind of moth. Those which feed on the honey of sweet williams or stocks require only a short one; but a long tongue is needed by the species which visit Canterbury bells, lilies, or any other deep-petaled flower.

### Why Cat Is Called "Tabby"

A tabby was originally a brindle or striped cat. The word is derived from Attabiah, a section of Bagdad formerly noted for the manufacture of watered or striped silk. This silk had an undulating or wavy surface produced by pressure after dampening and heating. In England such silk was called "tabby," which "tabby" is a corruption of the striped cats were called from their supposed resemblance to the silk. Strictly speaking there is no reference to the sex of the animal. In modern usage however a term is applied to cats in general as it is applied to dogs in general as Dobbin is applied to the horse, no change.

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## HOW

CEREMONY OF SOUNDING "TAPS" BECAME CUSTOM.—"Taps" is the name of a military signal sounded in the evening by drum, trumpet or bugle to announce that it is time for soldiers to be in their quarters and all lights extinguished. The word is probably not related to the plural of "tap," meaning the simple act of tapping. It is supposed to be derived from "taptoo," the old signal that the tap (tap-room or public house) was to be closed for the night. Apparently the call as now used originated in the American army. There is no similar call in any other military organization. Taps, like last post, is also sounded over the grave of a deceased soldier. Its exact origin in this connection is not known. According to a popular story, the custom originated in 1862 during the Peninsular campaign in Virginia. A soldier in Tidball's battery, it is said, was buried when the battery occupied an advanced position in a clump of trees. To fire the ordinary three rounds over the grave would be unsafe. It occurred to Captan Tidball that sounding taps over the grave would be an appropriate substitute for the customary ceremony. The practice thus begun spread through the Army of the Potomac and was finally confirmed by general orders. This story may be substantially true, but it was not the origin of the practice. Records of the War department show that taps was sounded over the graves of deceased soldiers in some American regiments during the Mexican war of 1846-47. There is a tradition that the practice existed before the Mexican war and that it was introduced at West Point about 1840, although it did not become general until after the Civil war. It is not known who composed the call.—Pathfinder Magazine.

### How to Keep Potted Palms in Condition

Palms thrive better in relatively small pots than when over-potted. For instance, a Kentia three feet tall with five or six leaves should be in a six or seven-inch pot. Indications of good health are the dark green color of the foliage and the fact that the new sword-like leaf, as it pushes up from the center and unfolds, is larger than the one that precedes it. A good, healthy plant should make two or three leaves a year; if the newest leaf unfolds before attaining the size of its fellows, it is a sure sign of something wrong. The cause may be decay of the roots through standing in deep, stagnant water. If the whole plant turns pale green and eventually yellow, the cause is usually lack of water. Seldom or never are plant troubles caused by worms or insects at roots. Palms are patient under suffering and do not show the results of neglect for days or weeks, but on the other hand they are slow to recover. They will endure and even thrive in a position quite removed from a window, if the room is fairly well lighted, and after they are accustomed to a position they should be allowed to stay there. Goldfish should not be kept at a sunny window, not because the light blinds them, but because in the sunlight they swim continually and, therefore, do not get sufficient rest through the day.

### How Soap Originated

Soap is an article which was unknown to most of our ancestors. In early days people had to be content with water and certain mineral earths with which to wash themselves. The discovery of the art of making soap was brought about through its being observed that the ashes of the wood fire and the fat which fell from the food roasted thereon formed a substance which would form a lather when mixed with water. This was the first form of soap. Soap is first mentioned by Pliny, who states that it was prepared from a goat's tallow and beech-tree ashes, and was employed for giving brilliance to the hair. The excavations of Pompeii brought to light a complete manufactory containing quantities of well preserved soap.

### Why Hair Has Lost Uses

Woman's crowning glory is really a sorry [illegible], almost the last survivor [illegible] once was one of the most [illegible] organs of the body, according to a doctor writing in Physical Culture Magazine.

"[illegible]man," this authority points out, "was entirely covered with hair, the only hairless parts of [illegible] were the palms of his hands and soles of his feet. Hair served him warm in the winter and in summer. When it rained the long outer hairs turned water as well as an army slicker. When in combat, the slippery hair warded aside a blow which otherwise might have been direct and fatal. Hair served our ancestors [illegible] with clothing and armor. Today it has degenerated into a mere appendage of adornment."

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## A Weekly Chat With Lovers of Books

One of the most talked-of books of the season is Grazia Deledda's "La Madre," reviewed recently before the Book Section of the Oakland City Club by Mrs. George A. Coit of Centerville. A splendid review, which tells something of the plot but does not spoil it for you who would read it after these clever comments on story and atmosphere.

The Book Section meets on the fourth Friday of each month at 10:30 a. m. and consists of a book review, a short review of current magazine articles and a brief resume of worthwhile books.

Mrs. Coits' review follows in part:

"La Madre"

By Grazia Deledda

La Madre is written in the tongue of a people who exalted the mother before the time of Christ and ever since have kept the halo around her head. It is written of a people whose women do not occupy sheltered niches but stand their own ground, giving or taking no quarter, and ready to strike the first blow—if they must. It is written by a woman who is not just a visitor studying the picturesque survival of primitive rural manners and customs but by a woman whose very root is in Sardinia; who loves as a birthplace and childhood home this isolated corner at the end of the world where shepherds still tend their flocks in the shadows of the ruins of Phoenician temples.

Sardinian history begins with the first pages of man's biography. The tragedy of invasion in every age was her lot. Phoenician, Greek, Roman, Moor and Saracen made her their prey. She was French; she was German; now she is Italian and Italian she will always be. Though her people differ essentially from the people of the mainland, Sardinia loves Italy as her Mother country.

The influence of many invasions has given to the rocky island an infinite variety of manners, dialects, habits and costumes. Through her length of one hundred and sixty miles she offers to the visitors who come to her as friends, rich diversity and marvellous hospitality.

Approaching Sardinia from the toe of the boot, we sudenly see Cagliari – a naked city, steep, golden, citadel crowned—as in some old illumination, rising, bare and cold from bay to sky. Unreal—a vision out of the past. There is none of the glamor, none of the Roman charm; none of the gay pink of Italy, but cold, silent yellow stone. Up the corkscrew street we wind, past the parapets, to the Spanish Cathedral, the fortress and on to the end of the world where it suddenly drops and unrolls into broad, green plains. At the citadel we stand and watch flamingoes flying high, looking like crosses with their outstretched necks, trailing legs, and short wings. The spirit of the place is sinister.

But automobiles are fast disputing the right of way with the diminutive donkey, the oxen, and the oxen cart of the same type the Romans used twenty centuries ago. European fashions are fast displacing the famously brilliant costumes of the Sardinian peasant. Yet one still sees the beautiful black and white, homespun freize and linen costume on some hardy, indomitable male or flashing down the somber street like birds showing their color, the voluminous or many plaited skirts of rose, green or magenta on some brisk, defiant damsel who looks at you with great, dark, unlighted eyes from under a loosely knotted shawl.

Across the Campidiano, up the moor-like hills that with Sardinian hospitality come almost down to meet the sea, up, up in a tiny toy train that puffs like a tired dog, we go. Up, but always down, the ages, back into time. The scenery becomes wild, native costumes are more prevalent; there are relics of Roman temples, bridges, witches houses that date back to the bronze age, a moldering castle wall or two that is mentioned in Dante's Divine Comedy; a lovely pastoral, sheep on a hill side or a peasant ploughing with oxen and a wooden plough.

At last we come to Nuoro where Grazia Deledda was born fifty-six years ago and of whose people she has been writing for thirty of these years. Nuoro is the heart of Sardinia. The ancient loneliness of the hills clings to the peasant. One feels the consciousness of ancient Mediterrenean gods, the superstition that still lives where life is life and things are just what they are.

In Nuoro, Maria Maddelena, the mother, Paul the priest, and Agnes, the woman, lived the soul conflict that has given us a minor masterpiece.

Madame Deledda has been concerned, only, with creating a work of art. She has interposed no theology or religious philosophy. She has so adroitly used the rare quality of developing action,—the great forces of nature, the civilization surrounding the action— that no offense is given. The characters—flesh and blood with strong primitive passions,—are as the threads woven inseparably into the warp of the plot on the loom of time. To eliminate the inevitability of Paul's downfall would be to obliterate the book and though we would have none of him, we must bear with him for La Madre's sake.

This is not just a book; who reads it, lives the Mother. She stalks with you through your house, a solid figure, hewn with an ax, all of a piece, from the trunk of an oak". You sit with her at a closed door and, between the gusts of wind—the wind that all through the book is sinister, the spirit of evil the Devil himself (and he is a very busy fellow)—you listen with her for Paul's footsteps. Will he go out tonight? Will he cross the field to the house with the great door, the Gothic porch, the granite steps. You try to assure La Madre that he will not—because he is her Paul, her pride, a priest of God by the sacrifice of her very bread. But, seeing Paul through her eyes, standing before the mirror brushing back the hair he has allowed to grow long to cover the tonsure, you know, then and there, that he will go. It is as inevitable as a Greek tragedy. Madame Deledda makes Paul follow the destiny that works through him —the fatality of circumstances and his own temperament—instead of the Destiny that works above us.

Paul goes with the wind across the field and the Mother follows. At the great closed door she stands with bowed head and talks to God about it.

The book is swift moving drama involving a two day period in Paul and La Madre's life. The past is chronicled in retrospection; the widowed Mother's twenty years of service in other parts while Paul is being educated for the high place she has chosen for him; the triumphal return to the village, in the high wind of an early spring day; his seven years of study and service to the people who reverenced him as a saint; her first suspicion.

The supreme struggle of the flesh against the dominion of the spirit is intense tragedy. The Mother suffers most of all because she is torn in pieces between her ambition for Paul, jealousy for his honor, loathing for the sin which is a sin only because of his vows,—yearning for the sinner, faith in the laws of her church, and above all—a mother's love for her son.

Antiochus, the gallant little acolyte who is Paul's reverential shadow and faintly suggests Donatello; the Guuardia, half keeper, half police and whole dispenser of drugs, the hermit who, fearing the evil he might do, withdraws from men and lives on the mountain top, contribute their high lights and shadows, every incident in perfect harmony with the theme and conducive to the end.

La Madre, praying desperately, watches Paul renouncing, then wavering; calling on God in one breath and waiving all need of supernatural aid in the next; driving out devils, with his soul revolting at the thought that the devil within himself would not be driven out.

As the book moves toward the climax the tragedy is intensified, exquisite workmanship showing the Passioale of the primitive pair realistically, but with artistic restraint. Agnes with her clever vision and greater spiritual honesty gives the self-deceptive Paul her ultimatum, "If you go into our church once again to say Mass, I shall go there, too, and from the altar steps I shall denounce you."

Tomorrow morning comes. Broken with the night's Gethsemane, Paul, still construing circumstances as the will of God, tightens his belt and goes to the church. La Madre draws in her belt and with firm steps goes, too. Agnes comes and kneels in the richly carved seat among the men who ploughed her fields and the women who wove her swaddling clothes.

Paul mounts the altar with one hope in his heart, the hope of death. Death comes; but not to him. His terror is overcome. Agnes does not denounce him. La Madre's sacrificial cup is filled to over flowing.

I. M. C.

## Development Commission Doing Much To Advertise Community

Alameda County Development Commission is coming to the forefront in the matter of advertising the county and according to provisions made at a recent meeting of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce at which Harvey Braun, president of the Niles Chamber of Commerce and member of the commission, was present, all inquiries from out-of-county correspondents will be referred to the commission for answer.

It was pointed out that rural Chambers of Commerce were better qualified to answer queries regarding possibilities for incoming rural residents and agricultural conditions than were the city Chambers. It was hence voted that this part of the advertising campaign operating under a budget of $60,000 for the fiscal year 1928-29, would be in the hands of the commission.

As a part of the general advertising scheme, Niles will receive its prorata of publicity in nationally-circulated magazines. A write-up of Niles and its inducements for new residents and industries will be accompanied by a request to address further inquiries to the Niles Chamber of Commerce.

One of the outstanding accomplishments of the year to the credit of the Development Commission is the exhibit arranged for at the 1928 state fair at Sacramento. This exhibit was shown at the dedication banquet in Hotel Alameda celebrating the opening of the Posey tube.

This exhibit has been viewed by hundreds of thousands of people and has brought much fame to Alameda county. In the main it features industry, showing in detail the Oakland harbor, estuary, skyline in the distance. On either side of the main diarama are two feature exhibits one depicting Berkeley with its great University of California, the other, the rich agricultural area of Alameda county in the townships of Washington, Eden, Pleasanton and Murray.

The designer and constructor of the exhibit is Chris Seimer, recognized as one of Californias greatest exhibit builders, who visited last summer at the Niles Chamber of Commerce.

Moving boats can be observed plying up and down the Oakland estuary, the waves operated mechanically attracting attention to the exhibit. In the foreground is a working model of the George A. Posey tube showing motor vehicles entering the tube from the Alameda portal. At the recent California state fair held at Sacramento the directors of the fair voted a special award and presented the county with a silver trophy cup for the amount of interest manifested in the exhibit by the people in attendance. First grand prize was awarded the Alameda County exhibit at the Berkeley fair.

Realizing that Alameda County has much to offer the home seeker, members of the Board of Supervisors delgated the Alameda County Development Commission to assume charge of planning and constructing a suitable exhibit depicting Alameda County's many virtues. So successful were the members of the Development Commission in staging a prize-winning exhibit this year, the supervisors at a recent meeting extended a vote of thanks to the personnel of the development commission.

Members of the commission are named by the supervisors from various sections of Alameda county. They serve without pay and display much interest in the welfare of the county from a boosting standpoint. The representatives on the commission from Washington Township, as stated before, is Harvey Braun, president of the Niles Chamber of Commerce.

## "Stromberg-Carlson" Radio at Vieux Bros.

Sensitivity without inefficiency is one of the characteristics of the newest and among the most popular radios being shown by Vieux Brothers of Niles—the Stromberg-Carlson.

Realizing that quiet reception is a primary requisite of a high-grade receiving set, the Stromberg-Carlson has its power plants with draining condensers which drain off extraneous disturbances to the ground, letting only the electric power itself enter the radio receiver. Thus by shielding not only the radio circuits of the receiver, but also the power inlet, the radio signals can only enter where it is intended to enter, the antenna connecting post.

With the advent of the all-electric set, it has been found that unless precautions are taken, the receiver's operation is very likely to be more noisy than one operated by fully charged batteries. The reason for this is rather interesting.

Electric light wires, in particular those strung on poles, act much the same as an antenna in their ability to pick up radio signals from the air. This means that, although the A. C. receiver may be tuned to a certain station, signals from other station to static disturbances may enter the receiver through the electric light line, if there are no precautions taken to prevent this. This explains why some A. C. receivers can pick up stations without the use of antenna or ground.

This is not as some people suppose a proof of sensitivity; it is a proof of inefficiency, for no matter how well shielded a receiver may be elsewhere, the plug from which the receiver gets its power is the one unprotected gateway by which unwanted radio signals, power disturbances and various forms of atmospheric static can enter the receiver and make noisy reception.

Draining condensers of the Stromberg-Carlson prevent this unhappy feature and are hence proving among the best sellers at Vieux's.


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**S. and W. BABY KERNEL CORN,** 2 cans **35c**

**PINEAPPLE, SLICED,** Purity brand, No. 2½ can ..... **25c**

**S. and W. CLUSTER RAISINS,** very good quality 16 oz. pkg ..... **18c**

**ASPARAGUS TIPS,** Purity brand, 8 oz. size, 2 cans ..... **27c**

**DODGE STRING BEANS,** small cut ..... **23c**

**Extra Choice MISSION BLACK FIGS,** per lb. ..... **10c**

**DROMEDARY DATES,** 10 oz. pkg,. per pkg. ..... **19c**

**MARASCHINO CHERRIES,** 2 oz. bottle, 3 for ..... **25c**

**CRAB,** Arctic Sea or June Bride, 6½ oz. size: very good quality; 2 cans ..... **55c**

**GHIRARDELLI'S EAGLE CHOCOLATE,** 1 lb. cake ..... **29c**

**SPECIAL FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY**

Christmas trees are here. For a real good one—see us. We guarantee to please you.

**WATCH FOR WINDOW POSTERS EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**



# Good Luck Fruit Market

See Us for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables.

Drink more Macomber's Sweet Apple Cider. Gee, but it's good!

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**Macomber's Sweet Apple Cider**

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**LETTUCE,** fancy Los Angeles; 2 heads ..... **15c**

**CAULIFLOWER,** fancy white heads ..... **15c** to **20c**

**WALNUTS,** all sound meats; per lb. ..... **27c**

**ALMONDS,** soft shell, unbleached; per lb. ..... **29c**

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**APPLES,** 4 tier Newtowns; per doz. ..... **20c**

**BANANAS,** fancy Eastern; 3 lbs. ..... **25c**

**For Better Fresh Fruits and Vegetables See Us.**
We reserve the right to limit amounts.


## MORE ON Tips for Santa Claus

(Continued from Page One)

these last rushed days, the family go down to the restaurant for evening meals to save the cooking at home.

**The Xmas Ride.**

Get out your notebook and let us give you some hints as to how to get the most out of Christmas.

First, be sure that the car is in perfect condition..

Stop in at Oliver's, the American Garage, or at Rose's Garage in Niles, or the Robinson Garage in Centerville, and have the old family bus all gone over so that there will be no danger of having the holiday rides made unpleasant by any accident. Then fill it up with Associated Oil Products and you're all set for the Christmas spin.

**Carols on the Radio**

Be certain that the radio is all ship-shape. Call up Vieux Brothers and have them make whatever adjustment is necessary. Better get out the lights for the tree and be sure they are all o. k., and if not, Vieux's is the place to buy more. Of course if you haven't a radio, Christmas won't be celebrated properly without one. No better gift for the family as a whole could be selected.

Now for gifts, what about these suggestions:

**Music**

A course of lessons from Toutjian's for the daughter or the wife. Music is a good investment and Toutjian has more than 50 pupils to tell his merits as piano instructor.

**Magazines**

Books, letter paper, music, magazine subscriptions and novelties from E. B. Macphersons.

**Fireside Studio**

Speaking of novelties, don't forget the Fireside Studio in Niles Canyon. Mrs. Hatch has reduced prices for all her attractive gifts for the season. Her stock though depleted by shoppers this last week still offers much for your selection.

**Be Beautiful.**

Nothing could please any woman better than a slip of paper assuring her of a certain number of "beautifyings." Call around at the De Luxe or the Bluebird and buy five or ten dollars worth of treatments for the wife's Christmas gift. Maybe a "permanent" would be just the thing.

**The Xmas Haircut**

Ferry's Barber shop is another place you'll be calling on for your own beautifying. Don't everybody wait until Christmas eve and expect to get a shave and a haircut.

**Fix the Driveway**

Speaking of gifts for the family, what about fixing up the driveways as a nice surprise? Call up the Associated Gravel Company and have that necessary work done right away.

**Fire Insurance?**

Then that fire insurance policy you've been wanting. Make this Christmas a comfortable one by knowing that a policy adequate to cover all possible loss is arranged for. Jones and Ellsworth is the firm to take care of you.

**Buy a Home**

Which reminds us that nothing would make a better Christmas gift than the first payment on a home or a piece of land where later on you'll build the house of your dreams. Niles is a good place to take root and Jones and Ellsworth's will find you a good location.

**A Ford for Xmas**

Christmas is the time to surprise the family with that new Ford. Lump the Santa Claus fund and instead of giving a lot of small gifts celebrate with one glorious addition to the family's happiness — see Dohner and Galbraith's at Centerfor a new Ford or some of the many accessories that help you to get the maximum service and joy out of your car.

**Candy and Perfume**

For the gift box of candy, perfume, stationery, toilet articles, greeting cards, and dozens of other articles any one would be pleased to find in the Christmas stocking, go to Walton's Pharmacy.

**Scooters**

Go to Abrott's Hardware store for skates, scooters, electric toasters and waffle irons. Handy items for the kitchen are always welcome gifts.

**Xmas Shows**

Plan to spend Christmas evening at the Niles Theater.

**Boosters for Xmas Stockings**

But for all the do's, here's a don't. One of our patrons who each week tells of the service he has to offer,, we advise you not to need. Don't go anywhere, don't do anything, don't eat anything that will make it necessary to call Dr. Chas. H. Law. Dr. Law is like a life preserver, very nice if you need him, but — Anyway, Merry Christmas, Doctor, in addition to being physician and surgeon, you're a booster for Niles. Here's hoping Santa Claus will put another in every pair of stockings worn on Christmas day.

**Maternity Home**

Speaking of doctors reminds us. The Silva Maternity Home wishes to extend hearty Christmas greetings to all its patrons and wishes for each of them a very happy New Year.

**Give Register Subscription**

As does also The Township Register. And by the way, wouldn't a year's subscription to the home town paper be a gift that would be appreciated by any of your friends, especially old-timers who have moved away from this community? Let The Register carry your greetings this year!

**Tom, the Tailor**

Get everything ready for the holiday parties. If there's a bit of repair work needed on some suit, dress or coat, take it to Tom, the Tailor. From experience we know that he does first class work at reasonable rates.

**Holiday Dry Cleaning**

Your dry cleaning will be attended to at the Centerville Cleaners and Dyers, telephone Centerville 104. Their service is efficient and prompt and J. C. McGee, manager, will see that you are satisfied.

**At Scott's Shoe Store.**

Here you will find comfy slippers for mother or father, snappy purses and neckware, hose for the Christmas parties and a very practical suggestion for Santa Claus—Shoes for the family.

## Decoto Department

By ORVILLE BLOSE.

Mrs. Mary Pimentel spent Sunday and Monday in Watsonville attending the funeral of her neice.

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Miss Emma Savio, of San Louis Obispo, is here visiting A. Ferrante and family.

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Manuel Luna, of Stockton, and a former resident of Decoto, passed away recently at his home. Services were held Monday at his brother's home here. Interment was in the Centerville cemetery.

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Nearly sixty dollars was raised in the recent Red Cross drive in Decoto, according to Mrs. A. A. Amaral, chairman.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Haas, and Miss Katherine Pinza spent the week-end in Modesto.

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Mr. and Mrs. Amaral, and Mrs. Elsie Luna motored to Half Moon Bay, Sunday.

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Earle Guilday and family of San Diego, visited the Bowers and the Hurst families over the week-end.

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**ARKANSAS RE-UNION**

Thirty people enjoyed dinner and a social at the home of Charles Brown this last week. This gathering was in the form of an Arkansas re-union, as most of the guests were from Berryville, Arkansas. Those who were present were: Rush Rowlet and family, W. G. Denton and family, Clark Drake and family, F. E. Pricer and family, Leo Watkins and baby, Marp Hattenhouser and family, Mrs. C. A. Walker and family, John Masters, and Charles Brown and family. Rush Rowlet and family will soon return to their home in Berryville.

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**CANNERY CLOSED.**

The Decoto cannery is again silent for another year. The tomato run began September 8, and continued until December 1, which makes an unusually long run of twelve weeks. More than 25,000 cases of tomato sauce were put up for the Hoyden Company in Monterey. They maintain the local cannery here for the sole purpose of getting the tomato sauce for their sardines at cost prices. R. L. Masters, superintendent, bought over 2500 tons of tomatoes from thirty-five local growers. When the town puts in a sewer system the cannery here will run through the entire season of fruits and vegetables.

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**FIELDS FUNERAL**

Yesterday funeral services were held for Manuel J. Fields, 73, at his home near the box factory, under the direction of the Pratt Mortuary. Mass was said at the Corpus Christi church. Interment was in the Holy Sepulchre cemetery, Hayward. Mr. Fields died Monday, following a heart attack.

Mr. Fields has been a rancher here for thirty years, and had resided in California for fifty-five years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Clara Fields and five children. George Fields, manager of the P. C. Hansen Lumber Company here, is one of his sons.

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**C. E. MEETING**

George Saunders and brother, of the Oakland Fisherman's Club, attended the meeting of the Christian Endeavor Sunday evening. These young men will continue their services beginning with the new year. Everyone has enjoyed these speakers, and have looked forward to see who would come next Sunday. Nearly thirty members have come out here in the last three months.

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**CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.**

The Community Center here is presenting four Christmas plays this year. Friday evening the Christian Endeavor will stage their pantomine, "At the Door of the Inn,' which consists of five parts. The singing, acting costumes, and lighting will be very effective. About fifteen young people are participating in this production. The Sunday school presented a three-act play, "The Transfigured Gift," at the Irvington Community church Wednesday evening, and will present the same one tomorrow evening here.

The second annual Christmas party is to be held Saturday afternoon at the church. The Friendly Indians will present "The Shoemaker's Guest," and the Girl's Club will portray the Nativity scene. All the children's mothers are invited.

Probably the "Tranfigured Gift" will also be presented at Sunday school. In the evening a beautiful Christmas candle service has been planned by the Christian Endeavor Everyone is especially invited to attend church during the Christmas season.


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**DATES;** New crop; lb. ..... **16c**

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| CARROT CAKE | ORANGE CAKE |
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